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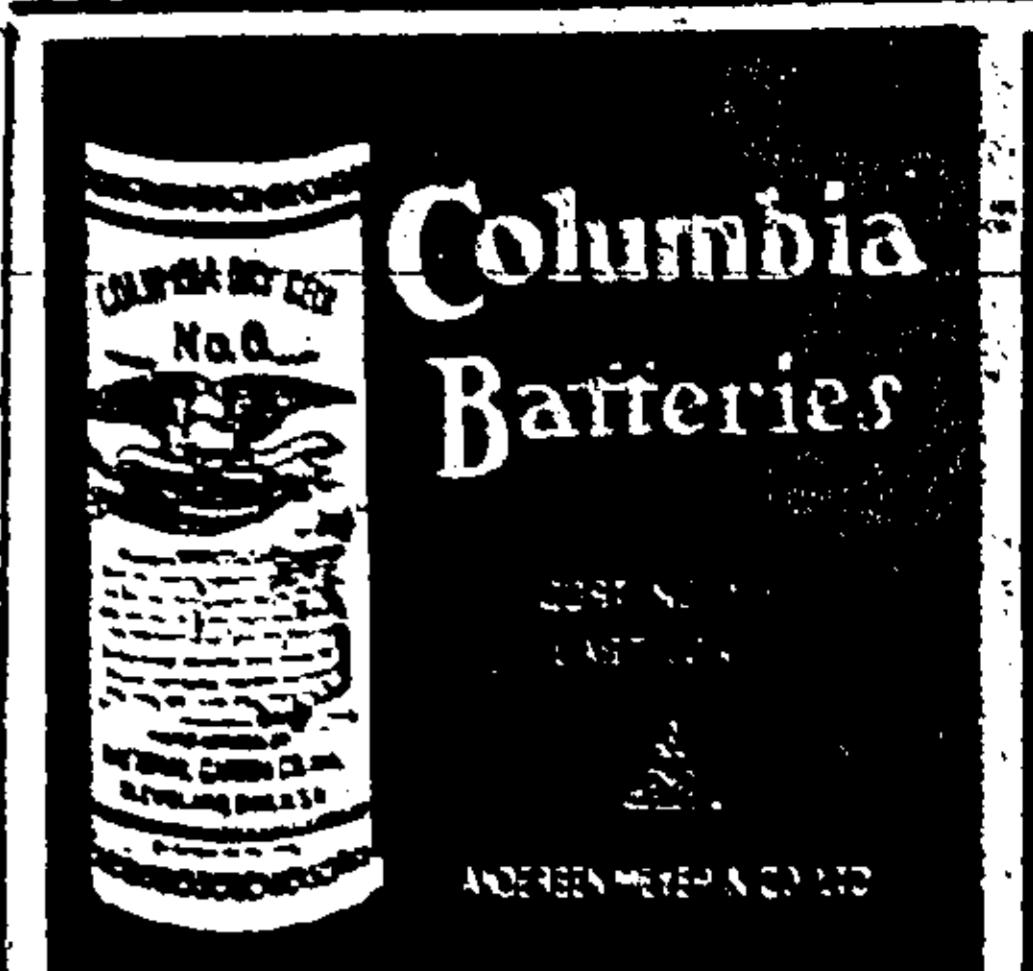
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REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

THE COAL STRIKE.

A SETTLEMENT REACHED AT LAST.

Terms to Be Balloted on.

London, October 27.

An optimistic feeling prevails as the result of yesterday's coal negotiations, and settlement is regarded as probable. It is anticipated, consequently, that the miners will assure the Trades Union Congress, which is meeting to-day for the purpose of considering how best to help the miners, that their intervention is unnecessary.

In the event of the miners and the Government agreeing, the terms will have to be submitted to National Delegates' Conference and it is anticipated that the Miners' Executive will be able strongly to recommend acceptance. It is unlikely that such a Conference can be called before the week-end, as the delegates must be summoned from different parts of the country.

The proposed agreement generally follows the outline cabled yesterday, with the addition that wages shall henceforth be based on turn-over of revenue, which arrangement resembles the old Welsh sliding scale, but on a national instead of a local basis. The increased wages will not increase the price of coal to the consumer, and the wages will be reviewed at the end of the year by the National Wages Board.

Good News.

London, October 27.

Although a settlement of the coal strike has not yet been officially announced, there is every reason to believe that the negotiations between the Government and the miners have reached a satisfactory conclusion, and an announcement to this effect is momentarily expected.

Delay in Settlement.

London, October 27.

Owing to a new demand by the miners at the last moment the negotiations have not reached a final settlement. The Conference has adjourned until noon to-morrow.

Miners Make New Demand.

London, October 27.

People going homeward to-night are awaiting only the official notification that the coal strike is settled, but the morning will show that they are mistaken. At what was expected to be the wind-up conference at Downing Street this evening, the Miners' Executive sprang a new demand in connection with the proposal for a permanent settlement. This was accompanied by a change in the attitude of certain members of the Executive. A re-adjustment until to-morrow was consequently necessary.

In the meantime, an emergency meeting of the Cabinet Council will be held. The Trade Union Congress, which is marking time, again meets to-morrow.

Agreement at Last.

London, October 28.

A settlement was concluded to-day between the Government, the Miners' Executive and owners. The terms, so far as the miners are concerned, will require the ratification of a ballot; but matters are sufficiently advanced for a general review of the dispute. It is impossible, of course, to exaggerate the serious character of the strike, which brought to an absolute standstill the most important key industry of Britain and was rapidly affecting every other. That the general public was less inconvenienced than by the railway strike a year ago was due solely to the fact that the results of the latter were immediately obvious to everyone, whereas the effect of closing the coalmines is more gradual, though cumulative. Nevertheless, the imminent danger of unemployment on the present occasion may be gauged from the fact that by the end of the strike not merely were iron and steel works paralysed everywhere, but industries so apparently remote as Staffordshire potteries and Lancashire cotton mills compelled the discharge of many thousands of workers.

Considering all this, nothing has been more remarkable than the temper and self-restraint of the people, including the miners themselves. The latter, while universally obedient to strike orders, were largely ignorant of the exact causes of the strike, and felt no overwhelming grievance. Their enforced leisure coincided with glorious weather and was spent largely in gardening and football. In nearly every case they cooperated with the owners in preserving the safety of the pits, where in many instances tools, ponies, &c., had been left in confidence of an early settlement. With the exception of a few cases of pilfering coal and potatoes there was no crime anywhere and no sabotage whatever.

The railwaymen, whose attitude has been much discussed, showed general disinclination to join in the strike, and the action of their leaders in postponing strike notices was probably due as much to this known disposition of their followers as to their own moderation. While the bulk of the railway branches passed resolutions leaving the decision to the Central Executive, some actually protested formally against the suggestion of a sympathetic strike as due to the Bolshevik element and unworthy of the sacrifices of the war. Meanwhile the bulk of the population—always inexpressive, but making itself heard in various places through discharged soldiers' associations and the "keep the peace" movement—showed unmistakable determination to tolerate no disorder. The strike has been a lamentable set-back at such a time, but has shown not unhelpful signs of greater future production and popular steadiness.

The Emergency Powers Bill.

London, October 27.

In the House of Commons, during the Committee stage of the Emergency Powers Bill, the Government made several concessions increasing the authority of Parliament under the Bill. Parliament must now be summoned within five days after the proclamation of an emergency, instead of the fortnight originally proposed, and regulations will only be valid for a week instead of a fortnight.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

DEMPSEY-CARPENTIER FIGHT.

To Take Place Next Year.

New York, October 27.

The Dempsey-Carpentier match contract, which is being signed to-day, stipulates that the meeting shall take place between February 1st and July 1st for a 10 or 15 round bout. The prize will be a record purse and a percentage of the moving pictures receipts. It is officially estimated that the fighters will divide half a million dollars.

The contest will probably be held in Madison Square Garden, but the contract does not prevent it being held in Canada, Mexico, Cuba or the West Indies. The contract was completed after a lengthy conference between Messrs. Kearns, Deschamps, Cochran and William Brady.

POLAND AND LITHUANIA.

Puzzle for League of Nations.

Brussels, October 27.

The Council of the League of Nations, which is at present meeting here, is confronted with the Polish-Lithuanian question, and complications are induced by the action of General Zeligowski. It is stated, however, that the Council will be unable to induce either the Lithuanians or Poles to undertake military action against Zeligowski. It is understood that the Council, unable to appeal to force, has decided to postpone a settlement, which can only take the form of economic pressure.

Another Attempt.

Brussels, October 27.

It is now announced that the Council of the League of Nations is making a further attempt to settle the Polish-Lithuanian trouble and is again hearing representatives of both countries to-day.

BRITAIN AND GERMANY.

A French Protest Pending.

Paris, October 27.

The Echo de Paris says the French Government intends to protest to Britain against its decision not to confiscate German property in England in the event of Germany defaulting. The Press comments adversely on the decision and sees therein an invitation to Germany to consider the Treaty of Versailles a scrap of paper.

More French Concern.

Paris, October 27.

The Press is much exercised over the British abandonment of rights over German property and believes that the decision will be singularly calculated to encourage a German campaign for revision of the Treaty.

GERMAN CRITICISM OF FRANCE.

Alleged Growth of Militarism.

Berlin, October 27.

The Chancellor, Herr Fehrenbach, speaking in the Reichstag, drew attention to the growth of French militarism. He stated that with the support of Belgium and Poland it was striving for predominance on the Continent. He strongly condemned the teachings of the Russian terrorists, and found opposition from the Left, and warned Germans professing faith in the Moscow doctrines not to exceed the limits of the law.

THE HOUSING PROBLEM.

Trade Union Objection to Ex-Service Men.

London, October 27.

A Conference of the Building Trades Unions in Manchester reaffirmed its refusal to suspend Trade Union regulations whereby ex-Service men may be engaged to provide the labour requisite for a solution of the housing problem.

The decision is important in view of Mr. Lloyd George's warning mentioned on the 18th instant.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

Headquarters Shifted to Geneva.

London, October 27.

The decision to remove the headquarters of the League of Nations from London to Geneva was carried into effect to-day, when the Secretariat departed by special train from Victoria Station, bound for Geneva.

INQUEST ON MacSWINEY.

The Jury's Verdict.

London, October 27.

At the inquest on the Lord Mayor of Cork the jury returned a verdict to the effect that he died from heart failure and acute delirium, following scurvy, due to exhaustion from prolonged refusal to take food.

RUSSIA AND POLAND.

Now at Peace.

Warsaw, October 27.

Both the Poles and Soviet Russia have ratified the Peace Treaty

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

TROUBLE FEARED IN RUSSIA.

Preparations for a Counter-Revolution.

London, October 27.

A revival of the reports of trouble impending in Russia is contained in a Holmstrom message which states that the Soviet is most anxious, and, fearing a counter-revolution, has placed Moscow under an intensified state of siege. A Proclamation states that no mercy will be shown to insurgents.

The Bolshevik Moscow journal Iskress reports that between July 21 and August 21, 1183 people were shot, despite the fact that capital punishment is supposed to have been officially abolished.

NEW SWEDISH CABINET.

Stockholm, October 27.

A new Cabinet has been formed on non-party lines.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE BOMBAY TRAMWAY STRIKES.

Bombay, Oct. 23.

Colonel and Mrs. Wedgwood have arrived and were received by leading labourites. A procession was formed, including a number of tramway strikers, who held up cars and threw stones. Col. Wedgwood in his speech said that he was there on behalf of the Labour Party and if the strikers were orderly they would surely achieve their object. After Col. Wedgwood departed the disturbances were renewed. Thirteen were injured, including two policemen. All the tramway strikers have been dismissed.

THE LATE MAYOR MCSWINEY.

New York, Oct. 26.

It is estimated that ten thousand Sinn Fein sympathisers attended mass meeting to protest against the death of Mr. McSwiney. The speakers criticised Britain, also the American Government for refusing to intervene in the cause of Ireland.

INTERNATIONAL BALLOON RACE.

New York, Oct. 26.

The International Balloon Race for the Gordon Bennett trophy resulted, according to an informal statement by Aero Club officials, in victory for the Belgian Balloon Belgica, which covered eleven hundred miles.

STEAMER FIRE.

Port of Spain, Oct. 25.

The steamer Zaca has been beached and the fire extinguished. The engines and boilers were extensively damaged.

EARLIER SPECIAL TELEGRAMS.

(From Our Own Correspondents.)

INTERPORT CRICKET.

Singapore, October 28.

The Straits interport cricket team leaves to-morrow by the P. and O. S. S. Somali for Hongkong.

LOWER RUBBER.

Singapore, October 28.

The rubber market has weakened again and prices are lower.

EXCITEMENT AT PAKHOU.

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Bandits Seize the Town.

Pakhoi, Oct. 22.

The bandits mentioned in my notes of the 10th inst. attacked the defences of the town on the 20th October, an hour before darkness set in, at the east end. A brisk rifle and machine-gun fire was kept up until 8 p.m., and firing continued at intervals throughout the night from the east. As darkness approached, I could see through glasses the bandits retreating at the double about a mile to the east of the town.

At daylight, next morning I found our premises surrounded on all sides by armed Chinese. A few minutes later they opened a rapid fire from rifles across an open plain on the trenches 300 yards to the east, where most of the Pakhoi troops who made for their barracks, which are situated at the extreme east end of the town. Here they took cover, and actual fighting ceased at 8 a.m. Bandits streamed into the town for several hours from the east.

The Pakhoi troops have surrendered, together with the troops of Kotak, a small town three miles to the east. How many have been killed and wounded is unknown. It is said the number is small.

It is hourly expected that these bandits will be, in turn, attacked by troops from the city of Lim-chow, and from Hamchow. At the same time, new bands of bandit troops have gone out two miles to the east. They are now out of sight behind the various villages. It is said they have gone to fight the Lim-chow troops, who are nearing Pak-

PORTUGUESE WHO IS "WANTED."

Alleged Embezzlement.

A reward of \$250 is being offered by the Police for information leading to the arrest of C. J. Sequeira, a Portuguese, who, in the position of book-keeper of the North-West Trading Company, Hotel Mansions, is alleged to have embezzled a sum of money by means of two forged bills of exchange, for \$150 and \$375 respectively.

The documents were drawn upon the Bank of Canton on the 21st May and 26th June of this year respectively. Sequeira failed to turn up at his office on the 22nd instant, and on examination of the accounts by an auditor the embezzlement is said to have been brought to light. Sequeira had been employed by the North-West Trading Company since March 1919. He is married, 27 years of age, and previous to absconding lived at No. 7 Mosque Street. It is not known to what extent the Company has suffered loss as the auditors are still engaged in overhauling the accounts.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 3s. 10½d.

THE WEATHER.

2 p.m. Barometer—30.01. Temperature—73. Humidity—68.

DON'T FORGET.

Today.

Theatre Royal—A. D. C. production of Dunsany's Plays—9.30 p.m.

Coronet Theatre—5.15 and 9.15 p.m.

Hongkong Theatre—5.15, 7.15 and 9.15 p.m.

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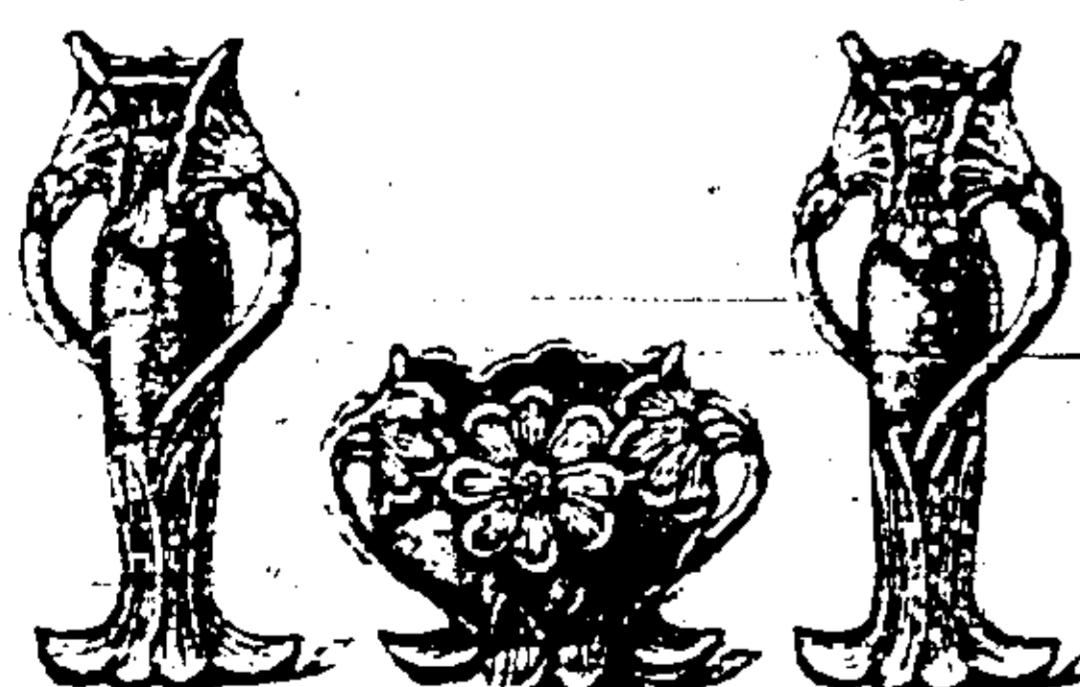
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COMMERCIAL NEWS.

BRITAIN'S MACHINE-TOOL OUTPUT.

The output of machine-tools in Great Britain during 1919 was valued at £10,000,000.

CHEAP FUEL IN FRANCE.

Owing to the Government's timely measures to provide comparatively cheap fuel for industrial purposes, the prices of pig iron and various steel products have dropped 20 per cent.

GALICIAN OILFIELDS.

Since Eastern Galicia has come under Polish rule foreign capital to develop the oilfields has been introduced to such an extent that almost the entire industry is in British, French, and Belgian hands.

CANADA'S RUMPER HARVEST.

It is reported from Toronto that Canada has never had a better year agriculturally. The wheat yield is estimated at 289,000,000 bushels as compared with 193,000,000 bushels last year.

TRADE AGREEMENT

WITH RUSSIA.

The London Stock Exchange has sent a letter to the Prime Minister protesting against the conclusion of a trade agreement with Russia which does not provide for complete recognition of debts from Russia. Similar protests have also been made by British bankers and Chambers of Commerce.

FORMOSA'S COMMERCE.

A valuable review of the commercial and industrial developments in the island of Formosa has been written by Mr. P. D. Butler, Acting British Consul at Tamsui, as an appendix to Mr. Hugh Horne's report on Japan, which we have already noticed. The total trade has increased from yen 111,514,000 in 1914 to yen 318,000,000 in 1919—a remarkable achievement even when due allowance is made for the abnormal conditions prevailing. There is an excess of exports over imports, which is only to be expected in an island which, though rich in natural resources, still awaits industrial development. The war has augmented and accelerated the prosperity rather than created it. The island is naturally highly productive, and the effect of the past few years has been to increase the demand for and value of the products. The aggregate capitalisation of the new companies, most of which have been established within the past two years, is yen 159,000,000. In addition, the well-known Bank of Taiwan, Ltd., increased its capital in October, 1919, from yen 50,000,000 to yen 60,000,000, and the Nitaka Sugar Manufacturing Co., Ltd., increased its capital from yen 5,000,000 to yen 10,000,000. It is probable that the total new capitalisation during the past two years in Formosa is not far short of yen 250,000,000.

SILK MARKET.

Messrs. Chabrières, Morel & Co. report under date of Sept. 16 as follows: In August, manufacturers in Lyons resumed purchases on a small scale prompted by reduction of stocks of raws, and receipt of some orders. The position remains sound; looms are active, and the cautious policy of importers has prevented the accumulation of any large stocks; as a matter of fact, ready silk, in many descriptions, is difficult to find. Prices have advanced by a small fraction.

The improved demand, however, has not developed into anything like an active market, European trade being unable to bear the burden of the present production of silk without the support of the United States. As America normally absorbs more than two-thirds of the total silk production, its protracted abstention has a positively distressing effect on most producing centres, and especially in the East. Japan, after having exported last season, 95 per cent. of its silk to the United States, is the first victim of the American crisis; present prices in yen are only about 10 to 15 per cent. higher than those of June, 1914. Japanese reelers are said to have taken steps to reduce their production and thus prevent the already important stock in Yokohama from assuming unreasonable proportions. China suffers from the high price of silver; at present rates Shanghai reelers lose about 15 per cent. on the price they paid for cocoons; in fact, real prices are lower to-day than they were in 1914. Canton reelers, also faced by serious losses, have partially closed down their factories, so that it is doubtful whether the fifth crop, which had at first been estimated at 10,000 bales, will finally give this amount for export.

THE HABIT OF
"SCROUNGING."How the War Developed
Pilfering.

As a branch of crime burglary is old-fashioned and out of date. It is comparatively dangerous, it is troublesome, it can only occasionally be practised, and its rewards (except in the higher department of safe-breaking) are usually not great. A simpler, easier, safer, more constant and more remunerative profession is pilferage of goods in transit; and we may judge by the experience of the past eighteen months it is now the favourite pursuit of a considerable section of the population of the United Kingdom and Europe. Get a job connected with the carriage of merchandise and you have an almost unlimited scope for the exercise of your profession of pilferer! You can carry on with it six days a week; you run comparatively little chance of being discovered; and, still less, of being badly punished; and if you select your bales and cases with discretion you can acquire a great deal of very valuable stuff in very short time.

Since the end of the war the profession has grown in numbers enormously; and it would probably be a correct statement that for one dishonest person in the carrying trade before 1914 there are ten or fifteen to-day. So far as the layman can discover the thieves are seldom detected, and as the goods are not inspected carefully until they arrive at their destination weeks or months after the pilferage has taken place, it is practically impossible to trace the crime back to the man who committed it. The merchant at the other end examines the goods, finds several pieces missing, sends a report home, gets his money from his underwriters and the incident is closed.

THINGS STOLEN IN TRANSIT.

To marine underwriters who have been accustomed to cover this pilferage risk on the same policy that insures shipwreck and fire the word pilferage has now become a kind of nightmare word; the more cautious of them are already refusing to accept the risk on any ordinary merchandise and if the evil spreads in future as rapidly as in the past the time must come when no underwriter, however venturesome, will consent to take it except at prohibitive premiums. Even to-day, if you were a merchant shipping boats to Paris (for some reason, boats to Paris are a peculiarly seductive bait for the pilferers), you would, unless you could offer your underwriter some good reason why he should oblige you find it a matter of difficulty to get from anybody a policy including pilferage.

Why boots should be stolen so much more frequently than other merchandise is not quite clear; but in the long list of articles commonly stolen boots—if the phrase may be pardoned—stand head and shoulders above all others. If one were making a list of the merchandise that the thief loves best in the order of his preference it would probably be something like this: 1, boots; 2, whisky; 3, cigarettes; 4, clothes; 5, pipes and fancy goods.

This is not a complete list of the things that are commonly stolen in transit. There are hundreds of other things, and most unlikely things like cotton piece-goods, woollen yarns, bits of machinery, sparkling pliers, etc., that are being pilfered every day, but the most popular things to steal are articles of common use that appeal direct to the essential needs of man—food, drink, clothing and tobacco.

If the thefts were committed by men in desperate need of boots and trousers and shirts one would feel a certain sympathy with the criminals, as most of us might take to stealing if the alternative were cold and hunger. But thefts are on too large a scale for the thief to be his own consumer. No man can himself smoke £50 worth of cigarettes, stolen between London and their destination on the Continent, or wear £50 worth of clothes, which were stolen in one swoop between England and South America. There must be a large and pretty well organised traffic in this stolen merchandise, and where it finally gets to when it does go into consumption nobody outside the police—and probably not the police themselves—can say.

Why is it that four years of war should produce this extraordinary and deplorable outbreak of a particular kind of crime? High prices, probably, have something to do with it, but they are not in themselves a sufficient

WONDER GIRLS OF THE
GOLF LINKS.180 YARD DRIVE BY A
YEAR-OLD.

"The golf of these children is astonishing," remarked a well-known player at Stoke Poges to a *Daily Chronicle* representative, when the first and second rounds of the Girls' Championship were decided.

Barbara Griffiths drove from the sixth tee, and the ball ran beyond a bunker on the right. "I've sliced into the bunker many a time," she added.

This drive measured fully 180 yards, and taking a brassie for her second shot, this 14-year-old girl put the ball within four yards of the hole. George Duncan would have been pleased to play the hole as well.

HEREDITARY SKILL.

Golfing skill is hereditary they say.

Barbara Griffiths, whose home is at Sunningdale, has a golfing father and two golfing sisters. The eldest, Miss Molly Griffiths, reached the semi-final of the Women's Championship this year, and one day is sure to hold the title. There is a fourth daughter, but she thinks that tennis is much better fun than golf.

There were 16 competitors, their ages ranging from 14 to 21. Each couple had its gallery of admiring relatives, and in many cases an elder acted as caddie.

BOY PRODIGY.

Miss Audrey Croft, who was defending her title of girl champion, had her father to "carry" for her, and like the old Scottish caddie, who was the guide, philosopher and friend of the links, gave her advice in the clubs to use and in the "line" to take in putting.

One of the most interested spectators was Peter Pharaon, the nine-year-old brother of Ruth Pharaon, who was beaten by Christina Clarke.

Peter boasts a handicap of 31, and he confessed that he took to golf "moderately seriously two years ago."

MISS LEITCH REFEREES.

One of the referees was Miss Cecil Leitch, the women's champion.

Miss Leitch shepherded these child players with warm sympathy. She, too, was a wonderful child player, and one remembers the sensation she created by appearing in the championship at St. Andrews with her hair down her back.

Explanation: for the men in the carrying trades are better paid now than they were before the war. Slow carriage, delays in transit, and great accumulations at the docks increase the thief's opportunities and make his work easier; but unless we believe that man remains honest only for want of opportunity to be criminal, they do not explain the great apparent increase in the numbers of the thieves.

Probably the true explanation is the change of men's outlook brought about by the war and army life, and by the easy habit of "scrounging" that hundreds of men brought out of the army with them. Men who had long records of honesty in positions of trust before the war have been caught out in bare-faced pilfering since they came back to civil life; and it is clear that most of them no longer regard it as morally wrong to help themselves to any desirable goods put under their charge. War, that great moral tonic, and the army, that great school of discipline and self-effacement, have managed to wash out in their minds the dividing line between honesty and theft.

Until this dividing line can be marked out afresh, the crime of pilferage is certain to spread; for it is highly infectious, and nothing is less likely than that the authorities will check it by increased vigilance or greater police activity. It is only by the strongest pressure of public opinion among the transport workers that the evil can be remedied; and for the sake of their good name the workers should see to it that the remedy is applied.

EFFICIENCY OF AMERICAN
FLEETS.

Mr. Daniels, Secretary of the U. S. Navy, has written to Admirals Hugh Rodman and to Admiral Wilson, the respective commanders of the Atlantic and Pacific Fleets of the United States, commanding them on the marked progress in efficiency made by both fleets as shown by the analysis of the gunnery and the engineering performances.

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DAY BY DAY.

Mr. Tanner, Headmaster of Queen's College, left for Home leave by the Sado Maru today. Six launches of students saw him off and there was the usual cracker-firing.

Held on two charges, of obtaining goods by false pretences from the Sincere Company, and of tendering a forged banknote for \$100 as payment, Chinese was to-day remanded by the Magistrate for a week, on the application of Inspector Appleton, who intimated that the evidence he would be able to collect would warrant the commitment of the prisoner and another woman charged along with him, for conspiracy, for trial at the Supreme Court.

CANTON SITUATION.

Mok to Leave the City.

We learn that Mok Wing-sun, Tuchun of Canton, issued a Proclamation on the 26th but that its contents were not made known until the 28th. In it he stated that his duties as protector of the Military Government were finished and that the cancellation of the independence of Kwangtung had been reported to Peking on the 24th instant. Therefore, the administration would henceforth be under the control of Peking,

but in view of the present disturbed state of the Province and in order to prevent suffering amongst the people, "I and my subordinates have decided to leave the city before the official appointment is made by the Central Government, and to let the responsibility of office be borne by the one chosen by the people." The hope is expressed that the North and South will shortly be united and that Kwangtung and Kwangsi will again join hands to strengthen the foundations of the country.

It is now felt that, in view of the above Proclamation, there is no immediate danger of fighting, though it is feared that fresh troubles may arise in the near future.

A Shanghai wire received to-day states that a representative of Sun Yat-sen has proposed to the Premier that Chan King-ming be appointed Tuchun of Kwangtung and Luk Wing-tung Tuchun of Kwangsi. The Premier has replied that the matter will be submitted to the Cabinet for decision.

STOLEN MEAT.

Dairy Farm Prosecution.

Mr. F. J. Thompson, of the Dairy Farm Company, was complainant in a charge brought before Mr. N. L. Smith, this morning, against one of the Company's coolies who was caught in possession of half a pound of meat stolen from the meat van.

Inspector Cockle applied to his Worship that the prisoner be placed in the stocks outside the offices of the Dairy Farm.

Mr. Thompson stated that the meat on being taken on the van at the farm at Pokfulum, was duly weighed, and on its arrival at the central storage, it was again checked. It often happened that a shortage of from 15 to 20 pounds was registered, and it was not often possible to fix upon the culprit. On the present occasion they were sure of their man, he being the only one in charge of the meat whilst it was being conveyed in the van. Having got him, they would like his Worship to inflict a more or less severe penalty as a guard against further thefts which in the past had brought losses extending to several hundred dollars on the Company.

Sentence of three weeks' hard labour and four hours' stocks in lieu of the last day was inflicted.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS.

Administrative Orders by Lieut-Col. L. G. Bird, D.S.O., Administrative Commandant.

Hongkong, Friday October, 1920.

1. Parades.—The Infantry Battalion, less Reserve Platoon and Machine Gunners will parade on Monday, 1st November, at 5.30 p.m. Dress—Drill Order.

Attendance, Strong as possible.—MOUNTED INFANTRY SECTION will parade with the LIGHT INFANTRY PLATOON.

2. From 1st November the following weekly programme of work, will be carried out on days as stated:—

Day	Time	Place of Parade	Companies Parades
Mondays	5.30 p.m.	Headqrs.	Infantry and Musketry Drills, Lewis Gun and Signalling Classes will also be held at the same time. Machine Gun Detachment Parade at same time. Dress for Infantry and Machine Gunners: Plain Clothes. Cadet Company Band Practice: Dress Drill Order.
Tuesdays	5.30 p.m.	Headqrs.	Artillery Drill. Cadet Company Drill. Dress Drill Order.
Fridays	5.30 p.m.	Headqrs.	Artillery Drill. Dress Drill Order. Machine Gun Detachment Drill. Dress Plain Clothes.

3. Orders for Mounted Infantry Section.

Monday, 1st November.—Parade with Light Infantry Platoon at Headquarters.

Dress: Drill Order. (Shorts will be worn instead of breeches.)

Wednesday, 3rd November.

and

Friday, 5th November:

Parade at Riding School, Polo Ground, Causeway Bay, at

5.15 p.m. Uniform Optional.

4. Orders for Cadet Company by Lieut. A. J. M. Weyman.

Parade.—The Company will parade at Headquarters on

Tuesday 2nd November, at 5.30 p.m.

Dress: Drill Order.

Band: The Band will parade at Headquarters on Monday 1st November, at 5.30 p.m.

Dress: Drill Order (with instruments).

Camp: The Company will go into Camp on the last week-end in November and the first two week-ends in December. All Cadets wishing to attend will give their names to their Section Commanders, before 5th November, 1920.

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NOTICES.

1. Members are notified that in future all Orders for ensuing week will be published in Local Paper(s) on Friday Nights and Saturday Mornings. Copies will also be sent to all Clubs in the Colony and members are requested to make themselves acquainted with the Orders.

2. All members of the INFANTRY BATTALION must notify their Platoon Commanders before the 5th November of the dates when they are proceeding to Camp. This is needed owing to arrangements having to be made for Accommodation, Messing etc. Camp is being held at LOWU on the last week-end in November (27th and 28th) and 1st week-end (4th, 5th and 6th Bank Holiday) and 2nd week-end (11th and 12th) in December, 1920. Attendance at Camp for Three days (3) is required. Saturdays count as Half Days.

3. MUSKETRY will commence for the INFANTRY on Saturday, November 8th and course will be fired on Saturday afternoons and Sunday Mornings until completed, except the three week-ends when Camp is being held.

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Dummy Chargers for practice in loading may be obtained from Storeman at Headquarters. The Territorial Course to be fired this Training Season is a short one, and it is hoped that as many as possible will endeavour to attend before Camp.

There will be a Practice Shoot on King's Park Range on Saturday and Sunday, 30th and 31st October, at 2.30 p.m.

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There will be a Meeting of the Corps Shooting Committee at Headquarters on Tuesday, 2nd November, at 6.00 p.m.

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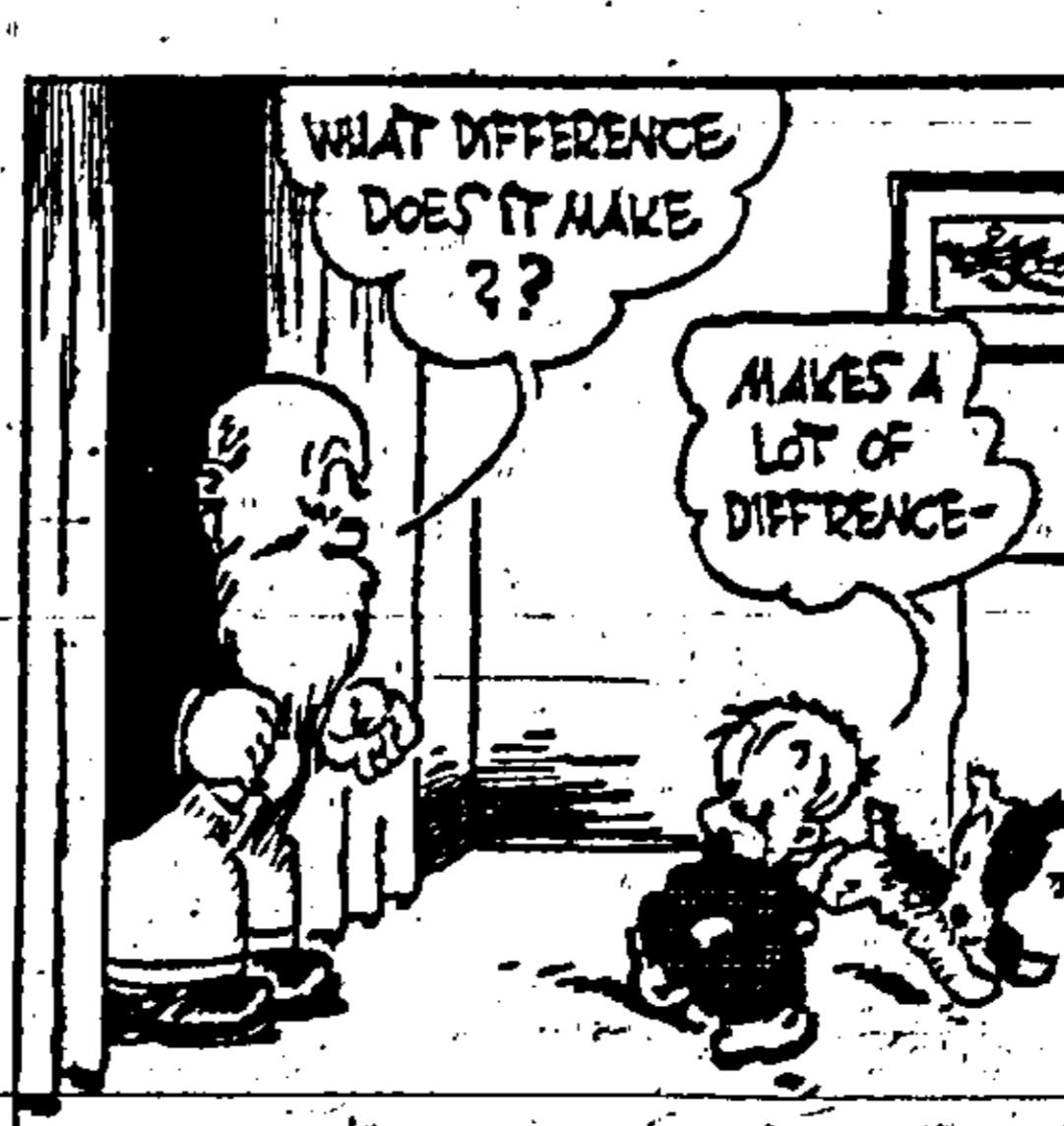
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HONGKONG, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29, 1920.

THE HOUSING PROBLEM.

Placing it in point of urgency even above such matters as new hospitals, new Government offices, a new gaol and the many other projects which were outlined in His Excellency's Budget speech yesterday, we desire to devote this column to-day to the housing problem. We give it predominance over all other questions because an elementary essential of modern life is comfortable housing at reasonable rental rates, or, better still, actual ownership of such accommodation. And to-day the greater bulk of the population in this Colony is denied either the one or the other. Let us record, at the outset, our recognition of the practical spirit, evidenced by the Government, witness its reclamation schemes and the opening up of new areas, in its desire to do what it can to improve the situation. We appraise at their real value also the encouragement of motor-bus enterprise and the grants of building loans, which admittedly must have a good effect in the long run.

What is being done to-day, both by Government encouragement and by private enterprise, will no doubt bear fruit in the future. But it is the present about which most residents are concerned. His Excellency the Governor rightly says that the chief obstacles, in the matter of extension of housing facilities, have been inadequacy of communications and the necessity of preparing, in advance, town-planning schemes ensuring the best use being made of the ground. The former, so far as Kowloon is concerned, will be remedied by the proposed motor-bus service, whilst in regard to the latter point the Government no doubt realises the necessity of past haphazard methods being abandoned in favour of definite ideas. It is presumably on this point that His Excellency spoke of progress with "the work" being made as fast as possible, "but the many other calls upon the Public Works Department preclude the possibility of an early completion." That is regrettable, and in this connection we can only hope that the P.W.D. staff will be strengthened and private firms also be given an opportunity to lend a hand. The housing question is of such urgency that the time has come for the employment of both these methods, and not one in lieu of the other. As to the Government building loans, it is something to the good that 79 houses and 92 flats will eventually have been provided from the proceeds of the first million dollars set aside for the purpose, though we fear that, inasmuch as the larger proportion of this money has gone into the hands of big estate-owning concerns, very little relief may be expected in the way of reduced rentals, especially since the demand for accommodation is so great that most, if not all, of these places have been booked up well in advance. At the present rates which show no decline on present standards. So far as we can learn, very few individuals wanting one house apiece have been accommodated. Most of the money has gone to concerns which would probably have built on their own account.

His Excellency says he has not been able to obtain very definite information as to the actual extent of the house shortage so far as Europeans are concerned, "though that there is a shortage appears to be generally admitted." That is a very tardy recognition of the actual situation. But besides the shortage there is something which is caused by the shortage—phenomenally high standard of rental—and it is that which hits the European of average means more than anything else. Until very many more houses are erected, only rent control can remedy that aspect of the matter, and we are frankly disappointed that His Excellency made no mention of such a solution. The prime fact is that, despite all new building and promised construction, rents show not the least sign of declining. The Governor said that prospective tenants can hardly expect in towns of constantly rising land values, such as Victoria and Kowloon, to "continue to rent dwellings at cheap rentals within easy distance of their offices." We don't know that anyone either enjoys this experience or expects to do so. As to His Excellency's reference to the European flats in Coronation Road, our information is that the objection is not so much to the distance from the Star Ferry wharf, (which can easily be overcome by use of the Yaumati ferry-service and eventually the motor-buses) as to the locality. More than that, Kowloon people have had about enough of flats. They want a type of residence more suited to the sub-tropical than flats are. The Government could really help—if it set aside certain convenient localities, mapped them out as building sites, disposed of them if need be at merely nominal rates to applicants who want to build, financing them by loans, and above all, marking out definite reservations. Such a policy, coupled with the enforced development of unoccupied land, would materially help towards the solution of a problem which has now reached a chronic stage.

NOTES & COMMENTS.

"Infinite Pity, Yet...."

After abstaining from food for no fewer than 74 days the Lord Mayor of Cork has passed the bourne whence there is no return. For weeks now the world has waited upon the prisoner's fate, wondering when the denouement would come and what it would be. Mr. MacSwiney's extraordinary endurance, which had something of the supernatural, stimulated the excited feeling which faction had aroused, until at length the last act in the long-drawn-out drama has been enacted. His adherents will doubtless claim for him the martyr's crown, as their predecessors did for Emmet, and, as in the case of that chivalrous but misguided Irishman, even those who contend most inflexibly that the Government could have adopted no other course must lament that stern necessity allowed of no alternative. It would be idle now to characterise the deceased man's fortune as misapplied. Looking at the case from the constitutional standpoint one cannot well see how the Government could otherwise have vindicated the authority of the law, especially after the failure of the Premier's conciliatory attempt in offering to release Mr. MacSwiney if the campaign of crime was abandoned. Probably it will be said, as indeed it was said in advance, that the event will add fuel to the fire, and will intensify the legacy of national antagonism. The fact remains that it is the function of Government to govern, and in the net result a correct decision justifies itself. According to the early cables, it may be remarked, the news was not signalled by any outbreak in Ireland. Compassion is human, yet it ought to be remembered that any ordinary individual visibly attempting suicide is not only prevented but punished; and clergy of Mr. MacSwiney's own faith condemned his abstention from food as self-destruction. There seems some occasion for reference, if only brief, to the attitude of Mr. Asquith, who, it will be remembered, felt it necessary when Home Secretary to authorise the troops to fire in connection with the Featherstone colliery dispute. On the present occasion the ext. Premier stated that he considered "the decision to allow Mr. MacSwiney to die a political blunder of the first magnitude." When Napoleon condemned the young Duc d'Enghien to be shot, Fouche, with his perverted conception of political ethics, declared that the act "was worse than a crime—it was a blunder." It could not have been Mr. Asquith's intention to paraphrase that notorious opportunist, yet he offered no solution; and had the authorities resorted to forcible feeding the outcry heard at the time of the Suffragette disturbances would doubtless have been repeated. The unhappy occurrence may be summarised in the phrase of a great writer in relation to the eternal order of the universe... "infinite pity, yet," also infinite rigour of law."

The California Referendum.

We should not have alluded to the possibility of hostilities between two such enlightened nations as Japan and America had not the contingency obtained considerable publicity lately. "A war to end war" was the familiar slogan in 1914 among a wider circle than the disciples of Mr. Norman Angell. We too would fail believe that the hope does not rest upon an illusion. Events since that day in November 1918 when the "Cease fire!" sounded have not always been reassuring, but the mind recoils from the thought that two leading Powers should so soon re-invoke the arbitrament of the sword. The State of California will next month take a Referendum on the future of the Japanese in that territory. It seems to be taken for granted, even in Japan, that the vote will be adverse, though there is still confidence in the Cabinets at Washington and Tokyo arriving at some modus vivendi. The question involves large issues, and is not to be answered hastily. One thing is certain—it behoves both sides to explore every conciliatory avenue to, if need be, its remotest recess.

The Future State.

A London vicar, the Rev. Clarence May, has presented to his congregation a word-picture of Man's Future State. There is one observes, a marked catholicity in the view, for, besides the Anglican and Roman Churches, one meets a representative assemblage of Nonconformists,

DAY BY DAY.

FRUGAL AND INDUSTRIOUS MEN ARE FRIENDLY TO THE ESTABLISHED GOVERNMENT, AS THE IDLE AND EXPENSIVE ARE DANGEROUS.—Temple.

"Kowloon Notes" will appear in to-morrow's issue.

H. M. ships in port to-day flew flags at half-mast to mark the death of the King of Greece. The Greek flag was also flown.

Mr. Leo Bergholz, U.S. Consul at Canton, left by the Tenyo Maru to-day. Mr. E. G. Jameson was a passenger by the same boat.

Yesterday's health return shows one non-fatal case each of diphtheria (Eurasian) and enteric fever (American). The latter was an imported case.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending 16th October amounted to 81,083 tons and the sales during the period to 76,288 tons.

At a meeting of the Committee of the Lawn Tennis Association last evening, it was reported that no news had been received as to the date of the arrival of the Shanghai interport tennis team. Dr. Woodman (Hon. Secretary) was instructed to cable immediately for information.

We are asked to state that boxes for the notification of changes of addresses on the Peak have been affixed to the address boards at Barker Road and at the Peak Tram stations. The Police invite the assistance of the Peak residents in keeping the boards corrected up-to-date. The boxes will be examined periodically and changes notified will be posted on the boards.

An interesting case of obtaining 600 dozen socks by fraudulent practices came up for hearing by Mr. N. L. Smith at the Magistracy yesterday afternoon when Mr. A. H. Crews appeared on behalf of the defendant, Chan Ping Nam, and Mr. Rowan, for the prosecution. In the interests of the complainants, the Man Sang Knitting Factory, of Yaumati. Sentence of three weeks' imprisonment, or \$100 fine, was passed.

The contractor's foreman who was responsible for the blasting operations on Wednesday at Taiwan was to-day charged, before Mr. N. Smith, with manslaughter of a Chinese girl, who was killed by a piece of rock falling on her head. It is alleged that the defendant did not take proper precautions whilst conducting the blasting. A remand of a week was secured by Inspector C. Aris, who is in charge of the case.

A successful whist drive was held at the Catholic Men's Club last evening. The attendance was again very good, there being 40 tables. The prize winners were:—Ladies:—1. Mrs. Vesper, 171; 2. Mrs. Bugg, 170; 3. Mrs. Bigg, 168; Booby Prize, Mrs. Lamerton, 138. Gentlemen:—1. Mr. Robert, 191; 2. Mr. W. A. Parker, 182; 3. Mr. Langer, 180; 4. Mr. Huntley, 179; Sealed Number, Mr. McCarthy. Mr. R. Spettigue acted as Master of Ceremonies.

To-morrow's Pictorial Supplement will contain interesting groups of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club's team (winners of the League), the players in the recent match between the golfing sections of the K. C. C. and K. C. G. C., Chinese students of the Hongkong Girls' Painting School the bride and bridegroom in the Mousley-Hunt wedding; a portrait of Miss Fung Man-fung, a well-known Hongkong artist; as well as a picture of Lord Dunstan, whose plays are being produced by the Hongkong A.D.C.

though we do see any mention of Buddhists, Confucians or Mahomedans. The various Christian sects will "for some time" maintain their distinctions, but are, apparently, to live under a general Concordat. Passing on from stage to stage the dwellers in this realm will eventually become "one celestial body working for the great union of Christendom." Mr. May's picture must seem a little familiar to those who have already been admitted to a glimpse of the next world by the Rev. Vale Owen.

THE A. D. C.

Last Night's Successful Performance.

The Amateur Dramatic Club of the Colony has on more than one occasion undertaken ambitious programmes. We all have recollections of Materlinck's "Blue Bird," of "Kismet" and of "Pinkle and the Fairies" and of other triumphs and, apart altogether from the wish to bestow praise, we now have to add the Dunsany Productions to the list of the Club's memorable successes. At the Theatre Royal last evening the members of the Club made a fresh reputation for them to live up to. Of course, the place was filled with an appreciative audience, for, in addition to the fact that the A. D. C. will always command big support, there was the added inducement that the performances this year are being given in aid of the Famine Relief Fund to assist the destitute millions of northern China. Among those present were many Chinese and leading residents of the Colony.

As is already well known the Club undertook the presentation of four of Lord Dunsany's works, for since the Hongkong University Students gave successful presentations of two of Lord Dunsany's plays it has been realised, at least locally, that here is a contemporary playwright of most exceptional ability whose works should be more widely known.

"The Golden Doom." In the scope of an ordinary review it is almost impossible to do justice to the four plays, for each of them is entitled to a critical study. In the first, "The Golden Doom," we have presented a story of wonderful colour. The scene is laid outside the door of a King's palace and the time is some while before the fall of Babylon. From the talk of sentries on guard we learn that a star has fallen and that a big event is expected to happen. And then a little boy and girl come on the scene and the boy has come to pray to the King for a hoop, but as he cannot see the King he prays to the door instead and the little girl writes on the door a verse about a purple bird to which the boy adds the line "I saw it die." The youngster goes away and presently the King comes out and sees the writing. No-one knows who wrote the verse and Prophets are called to interpret the verse. It is decided that the Gods are angry and call for a sacrifice and the King, who declares that he has done his best for his people, offers his golden crown, which is straightway laid on the sacrificial block before the door, the King asking to be allowed to rule his people uncrowned. The King and Court retire and the boy, returning, finds the crown and takes it away unseen. When the loss is discovered the King's spies inform him and it is accepted that the Gods have come and the stars are satisfied.

In the matter of presentation the Club scored a success. The scenery and lighting were excellent and the acting throughout was of a high order. The full cast was—The King, Mr. J. Dewar; Chamberlain, J. Bartholomew; Chief Prophet, A. G. Musitano; Girl, Miss Dawn St. Clair; Salter: Boy, Master D. Davidson; Spies, A. Simon; G. S. Simon, and J. F. Komor; Attendant, Mr. J. L. Parren; First Prophet, R. Green; Second Prophet, G. W. Jewell; First Sentry, Howard Freeborn; Second Sentry, H. W. Chaney; and Stranger, J. L. Parren.

Kismet Reminiscences.

Interposed between the first and second of the plays was a pleasing little interlude of "Kismet Reminiscences" with the original music composed for the A. D. C.'s production in 1916 by Mr. Norman Peterkin. The vocalists were Mrs. J. S. Jennings (Marshnah) and Mr. Howard Freeborn (Caliph), both of whom rendered their somewhat difficult lines with decided effect, and had to respond to a hearty encore.

The Glittering Gate.

The second play has been described as a rare bit of cynicism and also as an attempt to show man in his eternal conflict with the gods. The scene is a Lonely Place, and the time the Present. The Lonely Place is strewn with large black rocks and uncorked beer-bottles, the latter in great profusion. At the back is a wall of granite built of great stabs and in it the Gate of Heaven. The door is of gold. Below the Lonely Place is an abyss hung with stars. The two characters of the piece are Jim, lately a burglar, for he is dead, and Bill, likewise deceased, who was a pal of Jim's on earth. Jim was hanged and Bill was shot, and the marks of their recent ordeal are still upon them. Jim has been dead the longer, so that he is there first. Bill finds him uncorking empty beer-bottles endlessly and throwing them away, as he enters and knocks on the Gate of Heaven. Each time that Jim finds himself deceived by the empty bottles faint and unpleasant laughter is heard from somewhere in the great void. Bill recalls to Jim the little things of their life together and gradually Jim remembers. Finding the great door immovable before him Bill recollects that he has still with him his old Jimmy, "nut cracker," so with it he tries to open the huge Gate of Heaven. Jim takes little interest in the endeavour until suddenly the door begins to yield. Then they both give themselves up to imagining all the wonders that will confront them on the other side of the closed door. Bill is sure that his mother will be there, and Jim thinks of a yellow-haired girl whom he remembers as a bar-maid at Wimbledon. Of a sudden the door goes through and the great door swings slowly open, and there is nothing there but the great blue void, hung with twinkling stars. To the accompaniment of loud laughter created by no-one visible, the curtain falls.

This was, without question, the hit-bit of the evening, both as regards its cynicism and its presentation. One is tempted to soliloquise a little, but the programme attempted that also without a great deal of success. The characters were sustained by Mr. J. A. E. Bullock (Jim) and Mr. J. Dewar (Bill), and their interpretation was well studied. The lighting effects and the scenery were excellent.

"The Lost Silk Hat." The story of the play is best told in the words of the programme:—"The Caller stands on the door step of a house, faultlessly dressed, but without a hat. He has just proposed to the lady in the house and has been rejected and in the mad desperation of the moment has fled leaving his hat behind him. His predicament is no slight one. To return for the hat, while a sensible measure, would be an inconceivable anticlimax, and he cannot be ridiculous. Not to have the hat is an equally impossible situation. A Labourer comes along and the Caller accosts him in the hope that he can be persuaded to recover the hat. He meets with no success and the Labourer makes his departure. A Clerk enters and he is approached in the same way, and with the same result. Enter the Poet, who having the whole gaudy mishap explained to him is disposed to be indulgent. He philosophises at length upon hats and upon proposals and at length advises the Caller to buy a bayonet, and join the Bosnians. There, having given up this life for a hopeless cause, he will become immortal. The Caller is furious, and at last decides to go in and get the hat himself, whatever the cost. The Poet pleads with him not to go, for if he does there will be a reconciliation and Romance will be unsatisfied; the Caller will marry the lady, and will have a large family of ugly children. Could anything be more horrible to contemplate? Nevertheless in the Caller goes, and the Poet mourns that Romance had been born anew but had died again.

The characters were ably sustained by Lieut. J. B. Franks, R. N. (The Caller); Commander A. J. Butler, R.N. (The Labourer); Mr. L. D. Martyn (The Clerk); and Mr. J. Bartholomew (The Poet).

The Compromise of the King.

The play,

which is considered one of Lord Dunsany's triumphs, has been produced direct from the manuscript for it has not yet been published. As the scene is laid in a Far Eastern country the play was preceded by Chinese music supplied by Messrs. Yao Hok-chau, Ho Lau-tung, Lau Sung-sam, Yu Man-tsun, Ng Kim-tsu, and Mr. Chan Shiu-tung.

The scene is laid in the audience chamber of the King, where the King is informed that a fugitive from the Emperor has taken refuge in the palace and that a Seeker from the Emperor has arrived and is demanding the head of the man. The King decides to disobey the Emperor but on seeing the Emperor's Edict decides to compromise by banishing the man. An Ambassador arrives from the Emperor and points out that the King has disobeyed his Emperor's orders and offers the King a cup of poison—the variety.

PARIS TAXI-DRIVERS' NEW PERIL. A Paris report states that so frequent has become the murder of taxicab drivers by unscrupulous customers who would deprive them of their day's receipt that the chauffeurs are experiencing a nervous crisis. After three drivers had been shot in the back of the head by their patrons, the taxicab drivers asked the Prefect of Police to be permitted to carry revolvers and to carry along on the seat with them "a dog of the Great Dane, New Foundland or mastiff."

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PRIVILEGE.

Bubble, bubble, toil and trouble in nearly every mortal thing which goes to the make-up of present day life. Even sport, in this little spot on the world's surface, has not escaped it. We seem to have reached an era of malignant antagonism, when every one wants a cut of the other fellow's cake. And the toothsome morsel in this case is the allocation of grounds for sport. Certain clubs have held ground on sufferance from the Government for a long period, and having made elaborate improvements, do not relish the idea of having to share them with others who have not spent a cent on them. Which is only natural I suppose. Hence the kick and the resultant volatility, argument and controversy. Now, looking on this mild disturbance in the realms of sport with an interest if impartial eye, I came suddenly upon an article in the Hongkong Telegraph last week, under the heading of Notes and Comments, dealing with the subject of Lawn Tennis control. The writer, in alluding to the Tennis Championships for years by the Hongkong Cricket Club, said that this club "possesses" that most desirable piece of turf, the Cricket Ground, in Queen's Road. Surely that must have been a slip of the pen, for the Hongkong Cricket Club does not "possess" it. It is undeniably Crown land, and consequently is public property. It is true that that estimable organisation spends respectable sums of money on its upkeep; but legally there can be no earthly reason why any other body of men or women should not play cricket or croquet on it if they so desire. This public right was amply and legally proved some years ago, when, I am told, a famous editor of the Telegraph rode his horse across the pitch when a cricket match was in progress. And again, could the Hongkong Cricket Club legally prevent a non-member from entering the pavilion or clubroom if he wanted to? I very much suspect that he must be given the right of entry. And if they determined to evict him from walking upon their property, viz., the boards material of which the club-house is composed, it would be

THE CORONET.

A New Film.

Blanche Sweet appears at the Coronet Theatre to-day and for four days in her newest Jesse D. Hampton-Pathe feature. "The Deadlier Sex" is the title of the film, the story of which revolves about a modern American girl who kidnaps her money-grabbing business enemy and takes him to the Maine woods, where the hundred thousand dollars in cash he has in his pockets won't even buy mosquito netting.

Miss Sweet is given excellent support by Mahlon Hamilton as the man who wanted nothing that money could buy; Winter Hall her father; Russell Simpson as the mountain guide; Roy LaSalle as her right-hand man of affairs, and Boris Karoff as a French Canadian trapper.

Bayard Veiller, author of "The Thirteenth Chair" and "Within the Law," is the author of "The Deadlier Sex," which has been given the capable direction of Robert Thornby, who directed Miss Sweet's earlier success, "Fighting Cressy."

superstitious faith, would be less likely to renounce the drugging influence of religion as we know it. The churches would gladly draw us back to mediaeval days when the slightest word was law. England is too far advanced in reason and education to accept any longer the absurdities which our fathers believed to be true. As science increases our knowledge, ecclesiastical power declines, and is only tolerated in a few puerile countries. Hence this last despairing effort in Ireland to-day, to set the empire in a state of antagonism and rupture. Cohesion and thought are the enemies of mythology. Eliminate them and mythological tyranny is resumed. Bleeding pictures! A typical example of the teachings of religion. Once Irishmen awoke to these fallacious absurdities they will find their enemies and ours. Until then—trouble in Ireland, "DO unto THEM"

Winter. Snow, sleet, frost, rain. The bitter east winds penetrate the thickest of clothing. The slush which soaks through the stoutest of boots. The miserable cold of an English winter's day. You turn your coat collar well up about your ears; your hat pulled down a little tighter than usual; your gloved hands deep in your overcoat pockets. You walk briskly and cheerfully home with the prospect before you of a warm room, a cheery fire, a cosy chair and your felt slippers. Maybe there is a nip of the sinful drink to cap your comfort; and you are content. That is winter in England in times when coal is plentiful. But imagine the misery and unhappiness in the months of cold weather to come now the miners have struck again. There is no thought on their part, of the comfort of the great majority of people. They have once more used that cogent weapon—the boycott—for that is what strike amounts to. Boycott is the slogan of the agitator if there is the slightest opportunity of using it. There is no consideration for the deadly misery of the very poor; they strike pitilessly at every class. Now, supposing the weapon of boycott to be turned against the miners themselves—to give them a taste of their own medicine, so to speak—by creating a union against a union. If the doctors, bakers, butchers, grocers and every trade and profession of vital necessity decided to boycott them. Doctors refuse to attend the sick, and all the purveyors of the necessities of life refuse to supply them with food and clothing. What then? Surely they could have no objection to others adopting the same principles as they do. They refuse to supply coal; the professions and businesses in turn refuse to sell them their stomach's desires until they agree to supply coal. That is obviously very fair arrangement. Further, it is simply a revival of the ancient custom of exchange and barter, a system which the international socialists dream of and desire. So they should have no reasonable objections to the introduction of their own admirable methods. Let them have but one small taste of their own medicine and the strike would be over in a few hours.

FIREWOOD.

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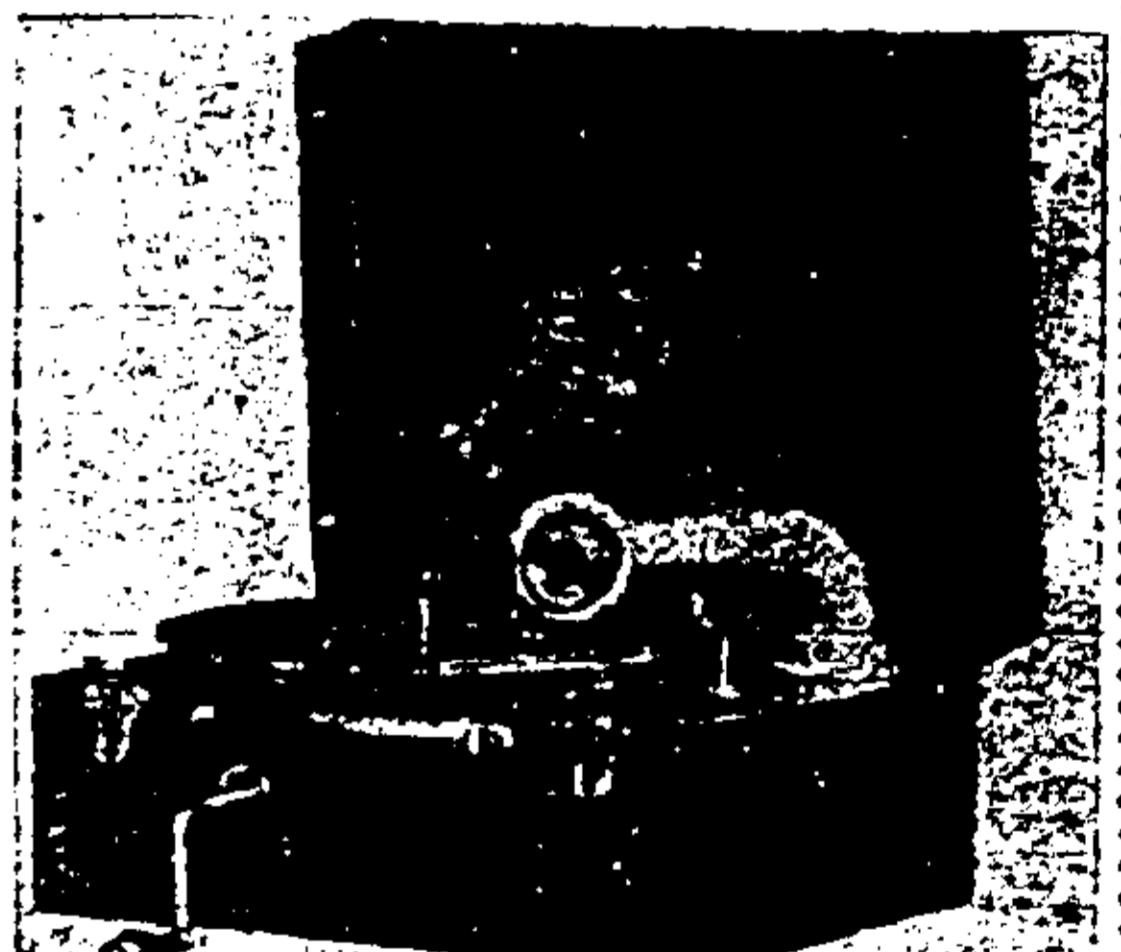
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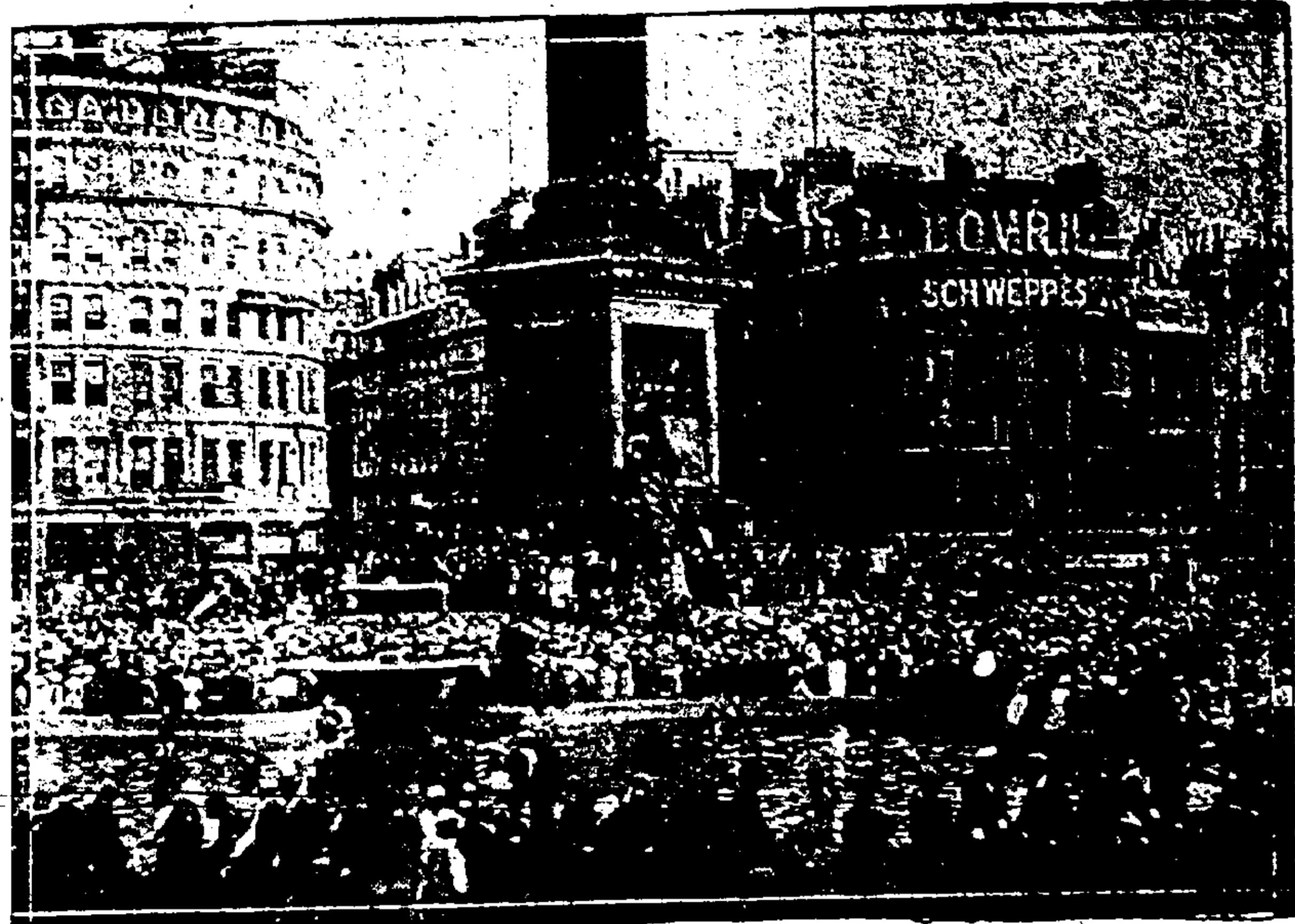
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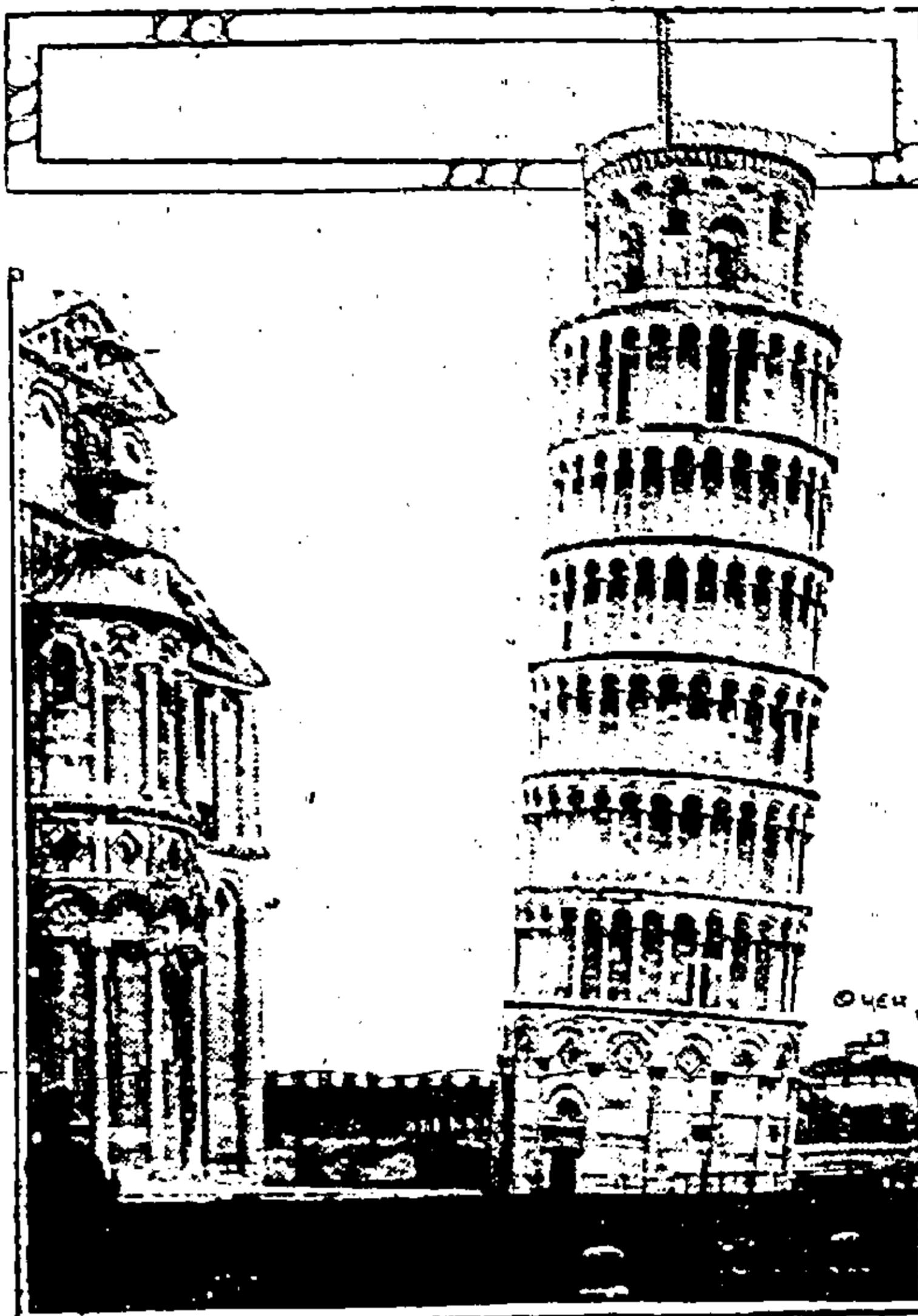
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CAMERA NEWS



IRISH DEMONSTRATION IN TRAFALGAR SQUARE.

Labourites and Sinn Feiners aggregated in thousands recently in Trafalgar Square to protest against the Government's policy in the Irish situation.



THE LEANING TOWER.

The famous Leaning Tower of Pisa, which luckily escaped destruction during the recent earthquakes.



RECENT PICTURE OF LATE KING OF GREECE.

The late King of Greece is here seen being presented with a bouquet by a little girl at a reception given to the monarch by the officials and residents of Paderma, Asia Minor, when he inspected his troops before their recent advance on Adrianople.



TOWN TO BE DESTROYED BY FLOOD.

The prosperous town of Andarmott, Germany, is to be wiped out in order to provide a site for a dam to be used by manufacturers. The whole valley shown in the picture is to be flooded, after the houses are removed to other sites on the surrounding hills.

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ADVENTURES OF THE TWINS.

RENT DAY.

Off to Chirk Chipmunk's house trooped Nancy and Nick and Tingaling, the fairy landlord, to collect the rent of being the thirty-second day of the month.

Chirk lived in an old house which looked much like a pile of rocks, in the Land-of-Dear-Knows-Where, but he spent much of the time on the roof. When the visitors arrived, sure enough, there he sat, grinning down at them, trying to pretend he was enjoying a last year's acorn, the new ones not being ready yet.

"Hello," called Tingaling, "it's rent day, Chirk. Have you got the money ready?"

But instead of reaching into his pocket, Chirk only grinned more than ever.

"Did you get my letter, Mr. Tingaling?" he asked, about a roof needing repairing, and the stairs and the doors, and ceilings, and the—"



"Hello," called Tingaling, "it's rent day, Chirk. Have you got money ready?"

"Yes, yes," Tingaling interrupted. "But I can't get them repaired until you give me the rent, can I?"

"You said that last time," Chirk reminded him.

"I know I did," acknowledged Tingaling, "but since last rent day the carpenters, and roofers, and plasterers have doubled their own wages and I didn't have enough to pay them. Come now, I have a lot of collecting to do, and I can't stand here talking."

"Well," said Chirk finally, "I'll get it for you. Just go into the parlor and I'll be down in a minute."

So Tingaling and the twins (and the Magical Mushroom also) walked in, while Chirk slid nimbly through the skylight.

What Chirk had said in the letter was—quite true as Tingaling couldn't help noticing. The doors were hanging on their hinges as crooked as ears on an elephant, the paper was flopping from the damp walls, like sails on a rickety ship, and the ceiling was in a most shocking condition.

To be continued to-morrow.

CRICKET.

R.A.M.C. v 87th Co. R.G.A.

This Garrison League match was played at Happy Valley on Wednesday. Scores:

R.A.M.C.
Capt. J. Enright, c Berry-
stone, b Green.

L. Cpl. F. E. Filmer, c Pomfret,
b Green.

Sgt. H. G. Hollands, c Love-
grove, b May.

Cpl. G. K. Rhodes, c Capwell,
b Green.

Pte. F. Langridge, Bowled,
Green.

S.M.H.L. Thompson Bowled,
Green.

Capt. K. A. M. Tomory, Not
Out.

Pte. J. R. West, Run Out.

Cpl. G. Savage, c b Pomfret.

Cpl. T. G. Stone, c Shipley,
b Pomfret.

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87 COV. R.G.A.

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Gnr. Berrystone, c West, b
Thompson.

Gnr. Pomfret, b Hollands.

Lieut. Lovegrove, c West, b
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Gnr. Green, c Thompson, b
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Gnr. Smith, run out

Sgt. Shipley, c Thompson, b
Hollands.

Gnr. May, c Hollands, b
Rhodes.

Gnr. Davis, c Savage, b
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Sgt. Williams, not out

Gnr. Mason, b Hollands.

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STAFF AND DEPTS. V. KOWLOON.

The following have been selected to represent the Staff and Depts. in the above League match, to be played at Kowloon on Saturday next the 30th inst. commencing at 2.15 p.m.: Col. Humphrey, Lt. Col. Nicholson, Capt. Spinks, Capt. Tomory, Q.M.S. Vaughan, S. Sgt. Marsh (Captain), S. Sgt. Long, Sgt. Hollands, Cpl. Rhodes, Lieut. Cpl. Filmer and Lieut. Cpl. Spinks.

INTERVIEW TRIAL.

The following teams have been selected for a trial match to be played at the Hongkong Club Ground on Saturday evening at 11.15 p.m.:

Fredericks—H. Hanwell, Captain, T. E. Pearce, Capt. Davies, Major Edwards, Lieut. Frankes, W. C. D. Turner, G. R. Sayer, Major H. G. Bagnall, F. H. Harting, R. L. D. Wodehouse, E. E. O. Head, Possible—A. E. Wood, Capt. G. G. Gillies, Capt. Trotter, E. J. D. Horne, H. H. Reid, A. J. Alexander, T. E. Barrett, E. L. Black, C. Black, J. H. D. U. Orton.

C.H.C. v. CIVIL SERVICE.

The following team will represent C.H.C. on Saturday, the 20th inst., on C. H. C.'s ground, commencing at 2.15 p.m.—Sharp—Yew Man Ho, Capt. Wong Po-Kwong, Wan In-Shing, Lee Kuen, Hung Man To, Lee Hon, Choi, Chan Ting-Sang, Cheung I-kam, Woo Pak Foo, Cheung Wing Kam, Wong Si-Chung.

K.C.C. v. STAFF AND DEPTS.

On Saturday these teams meet at 2.15 p.m. Sharp on the K.C.C. ground. The Kowloon team is:

E. D. Evans, J. Stalker, E. E. Braga, D. M. Goodall, A. D. Brown, A. W. Ramsay, F. Travers, L. J. Blackburn, N. L. H. Railton, Major Greenaway and R. Pestonji.

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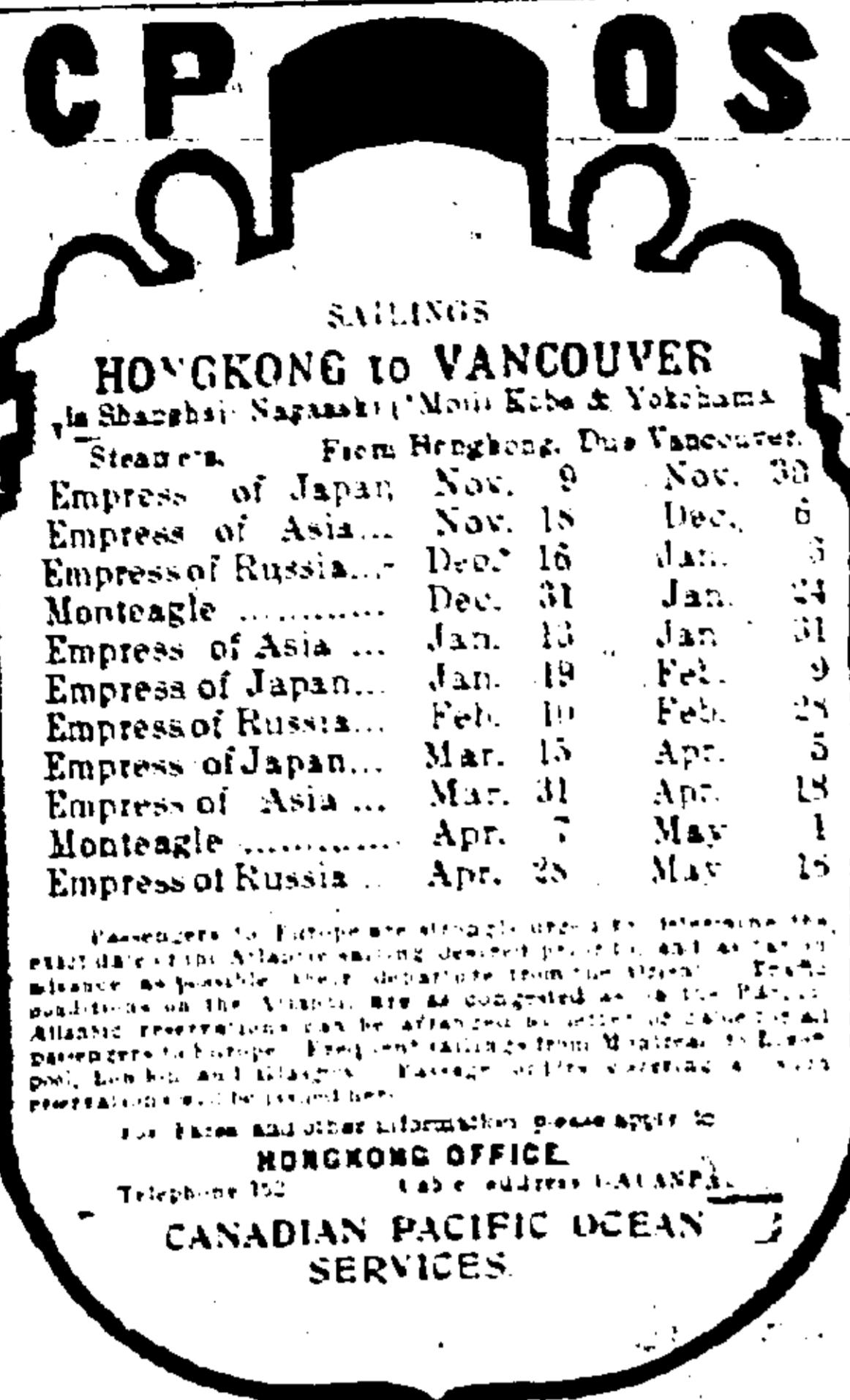
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Aki M. ... N. Y. K. Nov. 15

Toyama M. ... N. Y. K. Nov. 15

Antilochus ... B. & S. Nov. 15

C. of Joliet ... A. L. Nov. 15

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Summary of Sporting Competitions.

The Wiltshire Battalion has completed its annual competitions and the following is a summary of results:

Cricket.—For this a Shield was purchased in 1894 in Burma, and is won by the Company in inter-company competition who heads the League at the close of the season. Last season it was won by "D" Company.

Football.—The same as for Cricket. Won by "D" Company.

Hockey.—A Shield is being purchased for Hockey. Winners to be decided on the same lines as cricket and football. Won by "D" Company who also won the Garrison League.

Shooting.—A Shield which is won by the Company who obtains the highest average in the annual Musketry Course. Won by "B" Company.

Quoits.—There is no Trophy for Quoits but Medals are presented to the winning Team. Won by "D" Company.

Cross country running.—A Cup called the "Nines" cup is the trophy for this branch of sport. It was presented to the Sports Committee on the return of the Battalion from South Africa in 1903 and is competed for annually. Won by "A" Company.

Aquatic Sports.—There are several events chosen and the Company who obtains the highest number of marks are declared the winners i.e. An Officer N.C.O. or man who wins a race gets an individual prize and also points for his company. Two marks are given for every person in the company who can swim ½ mile and 1 for every person who swims 100 yards. Won by "C" Company.

Bayonet Fighting.—Companies are represented by a team of 8 N.C.O.s or men and a team leader. Team leaders fight team leaders and so on. The Company winning the most fights are declared winners. N.B. Regimental arrangements. Won by "B" Company.

Boxing.—Under A.B.A. Rules. N.C.O.s or men winning fights obtain besides individual prize points for his Company. Won by "B" Company.

Tennis.—The Company winning the greatest number of games obtain the highest points and are declared winners. Won by "C" Company.

Water polo.—Same arrangements as for Tennis. Won by "C" Company.

For all the above events the Company who obtains the highest number of marks in a competition sanctioned by the committee scores four points towards the Wiltshire Shield, the second three points, the third two points and the fourth one point. The Company gaining the highest aggregate number of points in all branches of sport are the winners of the Wiltshire Shield for the year.

The Wiltshire Shield.—This is the first year the Shield has been won. It was purchased whilst the Battalion was at Gibraltar in 1914 but owing to the outbreak of war the competitions could not be finished. "C" Company were very not favourites for the honour of winning it in the first year of its existence. Competitions which could not be included this year have been "The Athletic Sports" and "Tug o' War". For the Tug o' War there are two Cups, one presented to the Battalion by the citizens of Salisbury in 1907 in commemoration of the visit of the Battalion to that City and the other was presented by (Captain) now Major Timmis.

In addition to the above there is a further distinction to be won by Officer N.C.O.s and men of the Battalion, i.e. Regimental Colours. The rules for the award of these are as follows:

A competitor in any branch of sport shall, if he be recommended by the Sub-Committee, be awarded his "Colours" by the general Committee consisting of a single and badge. The badge shall be Maltese Cross in buff on a dark blue mount, and worn on the breast, in the centre.

Colours awarded for Football and Hockey shall be red and white striped jersey with badge, for dark blue blazers with badge on pocket and blue cap with badge, and for Swimming blue with badge.

No competitor may wear the Regimental badge awarded for one branch of sport whilst competing in another; with the exception that, if awarded a badge for either Bayonet Fighting, or Boxing he may wear it during any of these competitions.

A man awarded his "Colours" for more than one branch of sport is entitled to represent the former.

Matches for To-morrow.

The following is the football programme for to-morrow:

DIVISION I.

Kowloon v. Wiltshire's Club Ground, 4 p.m.
R.G.A. v. H.K. Police. Soo-kunpoo Ground, 4 p.m.
H.M.S. Ambrose v. H.M.S. Tamar. Navy "A" Ground, 4 p.m.
S.C.A. v. H.M.S. Carlisle. Ground, 4 p.m.

DIVISION II.

Indian Rec. Club v. Club Res. Club ground, 2.30 p.m.
2nd Punjab v. Oliers United. Soo-kunpoo Ground, 2.30 p.m.
S.C.A. Res. v. S.C.A. Res. Navy "A" Ground, 2.30 p.m.

S.J. Joseph's College v. R.G.A. Res. S.C.A. ground, 2.30 p.m.
Staff and Deps v. United. Navy "B" ground, 2.30 p.m.

Club de Recreio v. Kowloon Res. Navy "B" ground, 4 p.m.

Hongkong F.C. 1st team will be resting.

The new grounds at Happy Valley being ready, a full League programme has been arranged and ten matches in all will be played.

The match that is expected to draw the biggest crowd is the one allotted to the Hongkong F.C. ground. The Kowloon team had a fairly easy game last week, but it is expected that they will be

further extended to-morrow and that the Wiltshire, playing up to their usual standard, will have the better of the exchanges and just manage to win. But Kowloon must not be underrated for their attacking line is good.

The game at Soo-kunpoo will be a hard one for the Police are known to be trivers and if Alexander escapes the Interport Selection Committee and turns out for the Police a good game may be expected. The R.G.A. will commence favourites, in view of their win last Saturday.

On the Naval ground, two Naval teams will battle and it is expected that the Ambrose will annex the points.

The S.C.A. 1st team will turn out for the first match on the old Military Ground at the Valley and although the Carlisle men are a well-balanced side it is expected that the S.C.A. will win. The Chinese defence is on a par with any team in the Colony at the moment, while they possess a set of goal-getting forwards. It is hoped that the S.C.A. management will arrange to keep the crowd under control, for they must remember that now they have a ground of their own, they are responsible that spectators do not crowd on to the field of play. A very large Chinese crowd is expected round the touchlines and the supporters of the Carlisle will also be there.

In the Junior Division, St. Joseph's are the outstanding team and the R.G.A. Res. will have a tussle if they expect to share the points. Although St. Joseph's defence is much weaker, their attack appears to have been strengthened.

A good game is expected on the Navy "A" ground, where the S.C.A. Res. are the favourites. The Carlisle Res. will open their season to-morrow and up to the present little is known of them.

On the Club ground, the I.R.C. are at home to the Club Reserves, where the latter team are expected to turnout a strong side, including a few Senior men.

Last week the Indians played

good open football and with the privilege of playing on the premier ground, they are expected

to give a good account of themselves.

The Punjabis will be out on the Military ground at Soo-kunpoo against a naval team, when a fairly even game is expected.

Two matches will be played on the new Navy ground, where it is

expected that the Staff and

Dep. and the Club de Recreio

will be the winners.

The Hongkong F.C. are

erecting a stand for Service men

on the field opposite to the

members' stand, and they are to

be congratulated on their under-

taking, for the Services are very

keen on watching their favour-

ites, and the stands will be well

patronized, with men of both

Services, at the Saturday

matches.

QUIZ.

CLUB DE RECREIO V.

KOWLOON RES.

The Club de Recreio will play

on the Navy "B" Ground,

Happy Valley, on Saturday com-

mencing at 2.30 p.m.—Cpl.

Horrocks, S. Sgt. Bradley, S.

Scouler, Pte. Tennant, S. Sgt.

Hunt, Pte. Barnes, Pte. Janett,

Sgt. Rogers, Sgt. Wilkinson, Lee.

VESSELS ARRIVED.

The MUNCASTER CASTLE, whose local agents are Messrs. Dowdell and Co., arrived yesterday afternoon from New York with 1,500 tons of general merchandise for Hongkong and 2,300 tons for elsewhere.—Mooring Kowloon Wharf.

The s.s. EASTERN from Kobe arrived here yesterday afternoon with 1,800 tons of general cargo.—Mooring A 2.

The s.s. PEMBROKESHIRE brought a cargo of oil, wheat and general merchandise (1,000 tons) from Shanghai yesterday.—Mooring A 6.

From Hongkong Bay the Norwegian vessel SKULD consigned here yesterday 1,700 tons of salt.—Mooring B 24.

The Norwegian vessel HALDIS delivered here yesterday a cargo of sugar from Surabaya.

The WEST IRA, a T.S.S.B. vessel operated by the Robert Dollar Co., consigned here yesterday evening 120 tons of direct and 2,900 tons of through cargo.—Mooring B 7.

The T.K.K.'s SEIYO MARU arrived here this morning from Valparaiso with 1,200 tons of coal, lumber, cotton yarn, safety matches, etc. for Hongkong.

CLEARANCES AND DEPARTURES.

The s.s. PEMBROKESHIRE left at daylight to-day for London via Singapore with through cargo.

The s.s. SADO MARU left at 11 a.m. to-day for London via Singapore with 300 tons.

The LOONG SANG departed at 3 p.m. to-day for Manila with 1,840 tons.

The EASTERN leaves at noon to-morrow for Melbourne with 800 tons.

OUR TRAMCARS.

Suggested Covered-In Top Decks.

We have received the following for publication:

Sir.—It has been suggested by several residents that the Tramway Company might experiment with two or three covered-in top-deck cars during the coming winter months. People coming into town from Causeway Bay, Happy Valley and Wan Chai would greatly appreciate being able to get to their offices dry and in comfort.

On wet and cold days it is out of the question to travel on top of the cars as they are now, and the first-class accommodation down below is very limited. It would be quite an easy matter to cover them in and make them water-proof. Merely raise the existing canvas in the centre to allow water to run off and add canvas, roll-up sides and front with, say, celluloid windows, similar to those on some motor cars.

Perhaps some of your readers will back up the idea!

Yours etc.
TOP-DECKER.
Hongkong, Oct. 29, 1920.

TAKING POSSESSION OF VACANT HOUSE.

Having discovered a house which has been empty for over six months, the Fulham Council proposes to take steps to acquire the place. The measure under which the council will act is the Ministry of Health (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, which was passed a few weeks ago. Clause 1 confers on all local authorities the power to hire compulsorily a working-class house which has been withheld from occupation for at least three months.

On the Club ground, the I.R.C. are at home to the Club Reserves, where the latter team are expected to turnout a strong side, including a few Senior men.

Last week the Indians played good open football and with the privilege of playing on the premier ground, they are expected to give a good account of themselves.

The Punjabis will be out on the Military ground at Soo-kunpoo against a naval team, when a fairly even game is expected.

Two matches will be played on the new Navy ground, where it is

expected that the Staff and

Dep. and the Club de Recreio

will be the winners.

The Hongkong F.C. are erecting a stand for Service men

on the field opposite to the

members' stand, and they are to

be congratulated on their under-

taking, for the Services are very

keen on watching their favour-

ites, and the stands will be well

patronized, with men of both

Services, at the Saturday

matches.

CLUB 2ND v. I.R.C.

The following have been select-

ed to represent the Club 2nd

eleven against the I.R.C. on the

Club ground, kick off 2.30 p.m.

sharp.—C. Wilkins, W. Gerrard,

A. McDonald, A. Boysen, J.

Dodds, W. Ireland, J. Sherry,

G. May, D. J. Purves, J. B.

Hamilton, E. Railton.

STAFF AND DEPTS' v. UNITED.

The following have been selected to play for the Staff and

Depts. in the above 2nd Division

match, on the Navy "B" Ground,

Happy Valley, on Saturday com-

mencing at 2.30 p.m.—Cpl.

Horrocks, S. Sgt. Bradley, S.

Scouler, Pte. Tennant, S. Sgt.

Hunt, Pte. Barnes, Pte. Janett,

Sgt. Rogers, Sgt. Wilkinson, Lee.

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